Mark Small 400 Thornton Ave San Francisco CA 94124

Sep 13th 2018

Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I chose SONIC as my ISP many years ago based on cost. At that time my choice was much higher priced "bundled" service from Comcast or AT&T - a bundle I didn't want or need. Instead I went with ADSL service from SONIC, which included local phone service, at approx. one-third of the competitors' pricing.

I have never regretted my decision. About one year ago I upgraded my service to fiber optic. Even though SONIC currently only acts as a middle man for AT&T [in my San Francisco neighborhood], their pricing was LESS than direct service from AT&T.

This year I retired from full-time employment with a major law firm. I continue to offer limited tax services as a sole practitioner. This change in status makes me much more aware both of costs and of the quality of internet service available to me as an independent.

I feel very strongly about maintaining broadband competition and "net neutrality" generally. I very much oppose any regulatory changes reducing either.

Regards,

Mark Small